

# *Minutes*

## *Utah Substance Abuse and Anti-Violence Coordinating Council*

**DATE:**       **March 12, 2003**

**Room 223**

**TIME:**       **12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**State Capitol Building**

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Present: Randall Bachman, Dan Becker, Susan Burke, Lou Callister, Merrill Carter, Blake Chard, Mike Findeis, Dick Melton, Verne Larsen, Ed McConkie, Harold Morrill, Diane Ngatuvai, Ned Searle and Anna Kay Waddoups  
Visitor: Jack Tanner

### **I.       Welcome & Approval of Minutes**

Lou Callister noted that in the December 11, 2002 USAAV Council minutes he was mistakenly reported as abstaining from the motion to support the DUI Pleas in Abeyance bill, when in fact, he voted in favor of this. However, he did abstain from voting on SB 7 Auto Homicide Amendments.

***Action:** Colonel Carter motioned to approve the minutes with this change; Mike Findeis seconded. Motion unanimously approved.*

### **II.       Director's Report**

Ç Club Drug CD Distribution: Every member received a copy of the CD. It has already been distributed statewide to law enforcement. The program can also be viewed at the Attorney General's website: [www.attorneygeneral.utah.gov](http://www.attorneygeneral.utah.gov).

Ç USAAV Annual Report: An overview was given of the report.

Ç USAAV Chairman: Council members need to submit any nominations for USAAV Chair to Susan prior to May. There have been two names received so far which will be submitted to the Governor for his consideration. The Chair has always been a member of the public.

Ç USAAV Governor's Awards: USAAV used to present awards to individuals inside and outside of the system that demonstrated outstanding service in regard to substance abuse and anti-violence. The last time the Council presented awards was in 1998.

***Action:** Verne Larsen motioned to re-instate the USAAV Governor's Awards; Harold Morrill seconded. Motion unanimously approved. Susan will obtain approval through the Governor's Office.*

### **III.       USAAV Committee Reports**

#### *Anti-Violence Committee*

Ç Public Nuisance Brochure: Susan reported the committee completed work on the brochure at the request of Senator Gene Davis. Diane Ngatuvai and Collette Harrell conducted the research and provided the brochure information. A mailing will be sent out next week to law enforcement, the League of Cities and Town and Association of Counties notifying them about the availability of the brochure on the CCJJ website. Room on the back of brochure allows local organizations to attach their contact information.



¶ The State Crime Prevention Grants (\$210,000) and the Gang Mini-Grants (\$80,000) Request for Proposals: The RFP was released last week with a due date of April 7. Committee members recommended instituting a 10% cash match to show good faith of a solid commitment to their program. If applicants cannot come up with the cash, they have to explain why, map out a specific plan to obtain it in the future and have 30% in-kind match. The committee will review and make recommendations and CCJJ will make a final decision.

#### *Criminal Justice Committee*

¶ Forfeiture: There was lengthy discussion regarding SB 31 Forfeiture Amendments. The *Deseret News* reported on a \$1.2 million seizure this week in Utah, but not one cent will come to Utah due to this failed legislation. The Committee will meet on March 19<sup>th</sup> and determine what direction to take.

¶ Club Drug Summit Recommendations: Agencies are being assigned follow-up tasks on the recommendations.

¶ The Meth Clean-up Standards: Two bills ran this session and both failed. Senator Litvack and an employee from the Dept. of Health have been invited to present at next week's meeting. Dick Melton emphasized that DOH has no resources to enforce clean-up. This is a complex issue that is not going to go away.

#### *DUI Committee*

¶ Legislation: Anna Kay Waddoups noted that it was a successful session for DUI bills. It was noted that SB 66 Alcoholic Beverage Enforcement and Treatment failed to appropriate the funds from the restricted account established. A special session would have to address this issue.

**Action:** *There was a motion made by Harold Morrill and seconded by Verne Larsen that the Council recommend SB 66 as an agenda item for a special session. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### *Substance Abuse Services Committee:*

¶ Verne Larsen reported that their committee met this morning. May 1<sup>st</sup> has been designated as "Stinger Prevention Dimensions Day" for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Over 18,000 students are interested in attending, however, they only can accommodate 10,000. Verne requested funding assistance from USAAV.

**Action:** *There was a motion by Harold Morrill to approve the use of \$2,000 - \$3,000 from deobligated crime and gang prevention grants toward this effort. The motion was seconded by Ed McConkie and unanimously approved.*

¶ The Governor's Youth Council will no longer be supported by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health. It was proposed that USAAV take on this Council.

**Action:** *Ed McConkie volunteered to act as a liaison between the Council and the Governor's Office to determine what direction the Governor would like to see taken with this. He will bring it to the Governor's Senior Staff meeting next week.*

¶ Harold reported that the SAS Committee will work on the following three items for the coming year: 1) Treatment alternatives for drug offenders, 2) Drug Court outcomes and funding mechanisms and 3) Jail policies regarding drug offenders and offenders involved in treatment.

#### **IV. Legislative Wrap**

Susan gave an overview of the 2003 legislative session USAAV related bills. CCJJ has been asked to make recommendations to the Governor. Some of the study items taken on this year will include:

- C Drug offender sentencing study
- C Drug treatment study of Texas prisons
- C Affects of exposure to violent materials by minors study
- C Meth lab clean up and disclosure study

#### **V. Other Business**

Ed McConkie added that CCJJ has entered into a consortium agreement to convene a board of directors with U. of U. deans of colleges along with himself, Blake Chard, Dan Becker and Mike Chabries. Three different levels of studies will be done by graduate students or professors with results used by the system to form policy decisions. This consortium will greatly increase research capacity to track and evaluate.

**Next Meeting: The next meeting of the USAAV Council will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2003 from noon - 2:00 p.m. in room 129 of the State Capitol Building. Lunch will be provided.**